

MEXICANS ARE BITTER

MASSES HOSTILE TO ACTION TAKEN

Doubtful Whether the Carranza Government Can Keep Them under Control in North.

SEDULOUS PROPAGANDA
Military Governor of Sonora with His Men Proves the "Man of the Hour."

EL PASO, March 16.—New and powerful army units are rapidly forming today along the Mexican border to fill the gaps left Wednesday when the first expeditionary army entered Mexico.

In El Paso, Brigadier General George Bell, Jr., moving in here on the heels of Brigadier General J. J. Pershing, who led the first force into Mexico, was busy gathering a new organization and attending to the supply problem and communications for more than 4,000 men, who Thursday were out on a virtual desert, rapidly getting farther from their bases.

The Twenty-third Infantry from Galveston, was pitching its tents at Fort Bliss here. At Columbus, N. M., the Eleventh cavalry from Fort Ogilthorpe, arriving during the night, was ready to move in after the first army, but it was not known here when the Eleventh would go, or in which direction.

Columbus was today the immediate base for Brigadier General Pershing's army.

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EL PASO, March 16.—The American expeditionary force which has started to capture Pancho Villa alive or dead has penetrated about ten miles into Mexico, according to most reliable reports received here today.

The military censorship which has been tightening its grip on the border for some days, permitted practically nothing but rumors to escape but it was fairly well established that the advance corps of the American expedition had camped last night in the heart of the desert, which lies between the point of entry and the foothills of the Sierra Madras, the vast range of mountains in the fastnesses of which Villa is believed to have taken refuge.

But the interest of the border in the American advance was practically overshadowed by the question as to how the presence of the soldiers of the United States on Mexican territory would be taken by the Carranza military officials and soldiers.

General Calles, the military governor of Sonora, was the "man of the hour." His troops variously estimated at from 12,000 to 20,000 men garrisoned the frontier town and the immediate interior of the section into which the American soldiers had entered. For days reports and rumors that Calles's troops were disaffected and bitterly resented the pursuit of Villa by American soldiers have flooded this region. The definite announcement that the Stars and Stripes had been carried over the international line increased the rumors and reports to a deluge out of which it was almost impossible to pick whatever grounds of truth might exist.

There seemed no question that a considerable portion of the Mexican soldiers and civilians in the north of the republic were bitterly hostile to the action of the United States. The higher civil and military authorities of the Carranza government showed every desire to prevent friction, but it remains doubtful whether they can control the masses of the population in the very northern district, who are becoming very restless, due to the sedulous propaganda against Americans which is being carried on among them from unknown sources. Carranza and Ojuna are the storm centers.

QUIET NIGHT IS SPENT BY TROOPS IN CAMP

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
COLUMBUS, N. M., via mail to El Paso, March 16.—The American expedition which entered Mexico yesterday spent an uneventful night camped but a short distance across the American line.

Brigadier General John J. Pershing, commander of the expedition, accompanied the force as far as the border and then returned and with another part of the troops entered Mexico to the flank of the main army.

Despite rigid censorship, which closed all telephone and telegraph wires to military movements, it became known that the number which entered Mexico is about 5,000.

Aeroplane and motor trucks are believed to have passed with the expedition.

Flying conditions owing to the clearness of the atmosphere, are ideal.

When General Pershing gave the order to march at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning the soldiers swept forward with a shout.

Cowboys off the ranches enrolled as scouts and cavalry led the way. Two infantry regiments, some field artillery and a wagon train followed.

Colonel Slocum met Colonel Davila, of the Mexican forces, who promised that no resistance would be made to crossing the border. The entire Mexican population in Palomas, soldiers and civilians with one exception, cleared away when the Americans passed through the town.

The censor has asked all correspondents filing by mail not to dis-

Organizer of National Reputation Aids in the Trade Board Campaign



Grosvenor Dawe, of Washington, D. C., one of the really big men in the nation, is here in the interest of the board of trade campaign for new members. Mr. Dawe spoke to the pupils of the Washington-Irving high school this morning, and at noon he addressed a large gathering of business men in the Gore hotel. At 7:45 o'clock this evening he will address a mass meeting in the court house. His subject at the evening meeting will be "Serving a Summons on Clarksburg."

Mr. Dawe, who originated the Southern Commercial Congress, which has played an important part in the development of the industries of the South, is a very pleasing and forceful speaker. After the Southern Commercial Congress had grown from infancy into a stalwart organization under the guiding hand of its originator, Mr. Dawe saw the need of a national organization, similar to the southern board. There were four other men in the nation who realized the need of such an organization, and their efforts resulted in the organization of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, which is today one of the strongest organizations of its kind in the world, constantly pleading before the exporters of the United States advantages to be derived in building up a foreign trade, and securing such legislation.

MERCHANTS MAKE BIG PREPARATIONS

EXAMINATIONS Are Being Held at a Number of Places in Harrison County Today.

Examinations for elementary school certificates were begun Thursday morning and will be concluded Friday evening at the following places:

- Clark district—Industrial.
- Clay district—Shinnston, Gypsy, Owings and Enterprise.
- Coal district—Adamston, Northview and Glenn Falls.
- Eagle district—Lumberport, Wyatt and Dola.
- Elk district—Quiet Dell, Racoon run, Booth school, Young school and Fall Run school.
- Sardis district—Wallace and Sardis.
- Simpson district—Grasselli and Beard's Run school.
- Tennille district—Bristol and Marshville.
- Union district—West Milford, Jarvisville, Benson, Hall school and Good Hope.

close military movements or details as to numbers of troops, saying that to make public questions of such military importance might mean a loss of American lives. This rule applied only to mail matter as not even general facts of the crossing have been allowed to go over the telegraph wires, which are under military control.

The column leaving Columbus was thoroughly equipped for all conditions that might arise and represented all arms of the service.

HEARTY COOPERATION.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—President Wilson was informed by Secretary Baker early Thursday that both columns of American troops now in Mexico in pursuit of Villa and his bandits were meeting with hearty cooperation from the Carranza soldiers.

HISTORY REPEATS.

Clarksburg Thursday hearkened back to the primitive days when the pioneer settlers had to take refuge from the Indians in log houses. In order to keep the occupants warm enough to go about their duties, the janitor of the court house was forced to burn wood in the furnace there, owing to the gas shortage. A force of men was kept busy breaking up old boxes and otherwise obtaining a supply of wood. That fuel was used the night before until midnight in efforts to prevent all the county officers and court officials from being frozen out of the place in the morning.

LOCAL BOY IS WITH SOLDIERS CHASING VILLA

Sergeant Harry B. Thorn, of Jackson Street, is with General Pershing's Troops.

Among the American troops who are now in Mexico hunting for "Pancho" Villa and his bandits, is Sergeant Harry B. Thorn, of Troop A, Thirteenth cavalry, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Thorn, of 112 Jackson street, this city.

Troop A was in the battle with the Villa bandits when the latter raided the town of Columbus, N. M., and five of the troop were reported killed. Although he was reported to have been in the thick of this engagement, Sergeant Thorn came out unharmed, which is a source of much gratification to his friends and relatives in this city.

Mrs. Thorn this morning received a letter from her son, stating that his troop was in readiness to cross the border in pursuit of the murderous bandits. He enclosed in his letter a clipping from an El Paso newspaper, across the top of which was a screaming headline entitled "All Honors to the Thirteenth Cavalry."

Sergeant Thorn enlisted in the army at Louisville, Ky., June 14, 1911. He was stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., until September, 1913, when his troop was ordered to the Mexican border. He re-enlisted at El Paso in June, 1914.

Since being ordered to the Mexican border he has been stationed at El Paso, Terlingue and Alkine, Tex., and Columbus, Anapara and Mount Riley, N. M.

RECRUITING

Stations Are to Be Opened in Five West Virginia Cities at Once.

The United States army recruiting officer in charge of the Huntington district, First Lieutenant J. E. McDonald, advised the Telegram Thursday that the United States army will immediately re-open recruiting stations at the following places: Charleston, Clarksburg, Hinton, Parkersburg and Williamson, W. Va., and Portsmouth, O. The army is in need of more men preparatory to a probable increase.

If the army is increased above the present authorized strength there will be many opportunities for young men to enhance their present qualifications as citizens of the great and growing republic.

Lieutenant McDonald departed from Huntington Wednesday on an official trip to the cities named for the purpose of selecting locations for the recruiting stations, asking contracts for meals, lodgings and so on.

PASSENGER TRAINS

Late Thursday Morning on Account of Snow and Cold Weather.

On account of the intense cold weather and the heavy snow of Wednesday night Baltimore and Ohio passenger trains were late Thursday morning. Fast passenger train No. 62, Connettsville to Clarksburg, was fifty minutes late Thursday morning, arriving at 9:20 instead of 8:30 as scheduled. New York to St. Louis passenger train No. 3, due to leave the local station at 10:01 o'clock was thirty minutes late. The Parkersburg to Grafton accommodation ran on time.

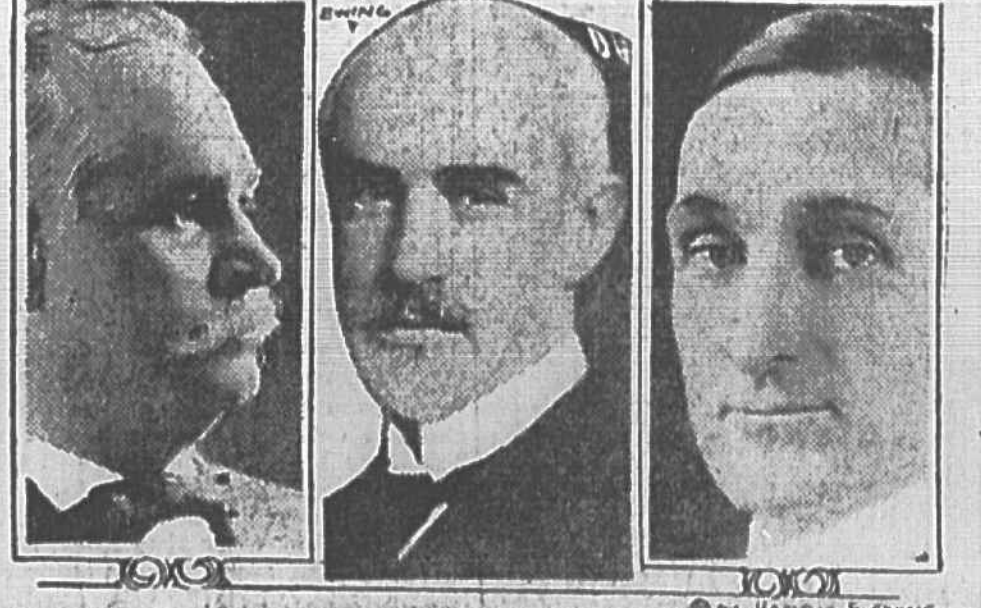
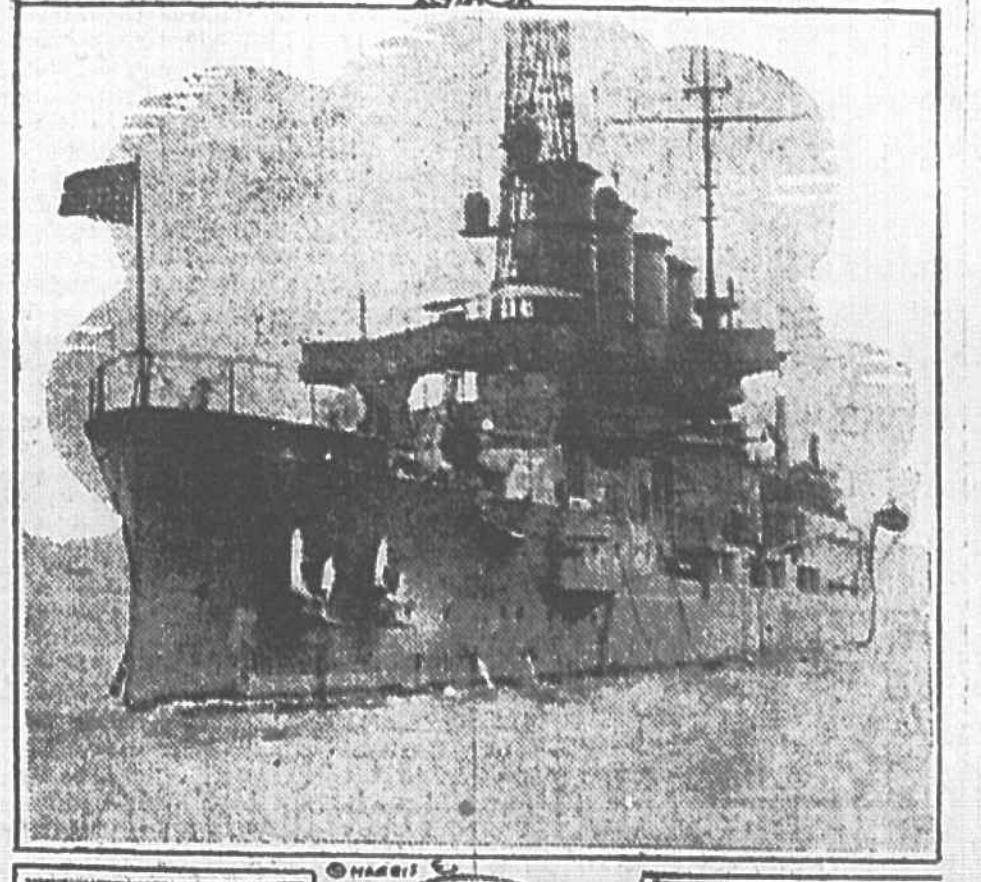
SUTTON CONFESSIONS.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
ELKINS, March 16.—William Sutton, convicted Wednesday of murdering Dr. J. J. Kennedy, age 65, at Mill Creek, W. Va., on October 30, 1915 and sentenced to be hanged at Moundsville on August 4, Thursday made a complete confession to Deputy Sheriff J. M. Shreve and other witnesses, giving every detail of the crime, which was the most cold blooded murder ever committed in the county.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

A special service for Sunday school pupils will be held Friday evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, as part of the revival meetings that are being conducted at the Methodist Protestant chapel by the pastor, the Rev. U. W. Morrison.

PROMINENT AMERICANS ON COMMISSION GOING TO SOUTH AMERICA FOR TRADE



The Tennessee leaving for South America. Bottom left to right: Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, John H. Fahey and Secretary McAdoo.

The U. S. high commissioners to the meeting of the Pan-American countries, called to discuss the unification of the laws of trade for the Americas, are now on their way to Buenos Aires, Argentina. Among the prominent commissioners on board are William G. McAdoo, secretary of the treasury; John H. Fahey, former president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida.

RELIEF IS ASSURED IN FUEL SITUATION

GREAT INTEREST Local Gas Company Officials Say They Are Doing Everything to Supply Gas.

Is Being Manifested in Second Annual Bowling Tournament in Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The national capital is bowling mad. Nothing else is being talked in this city but the coming Atlantic Coast Bowling Association tournament. Clark Griffith, Walter Johnson and Company are down at Charlottesville training and no one seems to know it. President Wilson and Villa, Carranza, et al., are having some differences, but these, too, are subordinated to the keen interest Washington is taking in the big bowling classic. Entries are coming in thick and fast. Sixteen modern alleys are in the course of construction. The vast foot-space where the tournament is to be held is being turned into a mammoth carnival auditorium. Banks, business houses, mills, factories, bowling leagues—all are entering teams, and when the final figures are compiled and the prize list totaled, one of the richest purses ever hung up for bowling competition will be found. This is Washington's first national tournament, and they are entering into it heart and soul. When the vast crowd of visitors strikes this fair city staying April 3, they will find a royal welcome waiting them. Entries close in the tournament Saturday, March 25.

TO BE DRAFTED

Into Military Service Are All Neutral Foreigners of Residence of Five Years.

LONDON, March 16.—An Amsterdam despatch says the municipal authorities in Germany have been instructed to take a census of all neutral foreigners who have lived in each city for more than five years. Male foreigners who have lived uninterruptedly for five years in Germany will be considered as having lost their previous citizenship and will be regarded as Germans and therefore liable to military service. These men will be enrolled in the army but will not be sent to the front. They will be put to work in offices so as to release men of the landsturm who will thus be able to take their places in the fighting line. It is said that there are about 30,000 foreigners of fighting age in Germany.

NEW CANADIAN LOAN.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NEW YORK, March 16.—A group of American bankers headed by J. P. Morgan and Company are negotiating with the Canadian government for the flotation of a new Canadian loan, according to a statement issued by the Morgan firm Thursday. The amount has not been finally determined, but it was estimated that it would be in the neighborhood of \$75,000,000.

COUNCIL TO MEET.

The city council will meet Friday night, declare the results of the recent primary election and appoint election officers.

FRENCH OUTDOING TEUTONIC FORCES

In the Verdun Region According to the French Official War Statement.

TRENCHES ARE DESTROYED

Surprise Attack against German Trench Results in Some Losses by the Germans.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
PARIS, March 16.—There has been no further infantry action in the region to the north of Verdun, according to the announcement made by the French war office Thursday.

The bombardment has continued but with varying intensity.

The statement continues: "Belgium-French patrols have been able to ascertain that the destructive fire directed by our artillery Wednesday against the German forces at Landrup in the region of Neupont resulted in the complete destruction of the German communicating trenches and killed a number of the enemy."

"In the region of Haudremont and of Dambloup our artillery has cannonaded violently the country to the west of Douaumont, being where the enemy was engaged in perfecting defensive works."

"In the Woevre we have bombarded several provision trains of the enemy."

"To the east of the forest of Apremont a surprise attack against a German trench resulted in our inflicting some losses on the enemy and of bringing in some prisoners."

"In the Vosges to the south of the Thur the Germans delivered an attack against our positions near Burnhaupt. Checked by our curtain of fire the enemy found it impossible to set foot in our trenches."

BIG SALE

At Baker's Will Begin at 8:30 Friday Morning and Prove Sensational in Bargains.

Baker's Under-selling Stores, at 943 West Main street, will hold their annual spring opening sale on Friday, March 17, at 8:30 o'clock a. m. A reporter for the Telegram visited the store this morning for an interview, to ascertain why they held a sale right at the beginning of the season. Mrs. Baker said:

"On account of Easter coming so late this year, we are going to give the customers the benefit of the bargain now, as we feel that they are entitled the same when they can enjoy it most. In previous years it has been the custom of waiting until the end of the season to cut the prices on different articles, but not so now, as Baker's have found out that by giving their customers and friends the low prices at the beginning they feel more satisfied."

Ladies' new spring suits and coats, men's and boys' clothing, dry goods, carpets, rugs and furnishings are all included in this grand big carnival of bargains, and Baker's want it strictly understood that every article that is advertised will positively be given. There is no doubt that there will be big crowds attending this sale and it would be advisable to shop as early as possible.

RABBI SILVER

Will Make an Address at the Celebration of the Purim Festival Here.

The Congregation Emanuel of this city will hold its Purim festival services at the Masonic temple Friday evening at 8 p. m. sharp. Rabbi Maxwell Silver will officiate and address the congregation on "A Very Old Book with Very New Points of Interest."

The congregation wishes to announce that these services are open to all, that its past services this year were attended by its Jewish as well as its Gentile friends of this city with profit, and that it earnestly welcomes to its future services all who wish to have a better and truer understanding of the religion, ideals and life of the Jewish people.

NO WARNING GIVEN.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)
NEW YORK, March 16.—While carrying twenty Americans among its 300 passengers, the Fabre liner Patria, a French steamer, was attacked without warning by the submarine off the coast of Tunis, according to the story told by its captain on the Patria's arrival here Thursday. A torpedo fired by the submersible, he said, passed twenty feet to the liner's stern.